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Docket No.: 0649-0798P

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional
☐ continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of
pending prior Application No. 09/256,368 filed on February 24,
1999, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by
reference,
by

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for

COLOR CHARACTER DESCRIPTION APPARATUS, COLOR MANAGEMENT
APPARATUS, IMAGE CONVERSION APPARATUS AND COLOR CORRECTION METHOD

1. ☒ Enclosed is an application consisting of specification,
claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if
applicable).
2. ☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

	BASIC FEE		LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	3-20 =	0	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2-3 =	0	x 80 = \$0.00	x 40 = \$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$270.00	+ \$135.00
TOTAL			\$710.00	\$0.00

3. ☒ A check in the amount of \$710.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4. ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
- a. ☒ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/256,368, filed on February 24, 1999, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120; and this application claims priority of Application No. Hei. 10-286268 filed in Japan on October 8, 1998 under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--
- b. ☐ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/256,368, filed on February 24, 1999 and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Application No. 09/256,368 is the national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/_____/____ filed on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference. This application also claims priority of Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--

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6. ☒ Enclosed is/are nineteen (19) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
- 7a. ☐ A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/256,368 on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
- 7b. ☐ The current application qualifies for small entity status.
8. ☒ The prior application is assigned to Mitsubishi Denki Kabushiki Kaisha.
9. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 10a. ☒ Priority of Application No(s). Hei. 286268 filed in Japan on October 8, 1998 is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on February 24, 1999.
- 10b. ☐ Priority of International Appln. _____ filed on _____ under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.
11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
12. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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13. ☒ An extension of time for one (1) month(s) until September 2, 2001 has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/256,368 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
14. ☐ Also enclosed herewith is the following:

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Respectfully submitted,

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LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

February 24, 1999

Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a), the applicant(s) hereby claim(s) the right of priority based on the following application(s):

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filed</u>
Japan	10-286268	10/08/98

A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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